necessary to carry out the terms of the memorandum of understanding.

# (b) Consistency with Senate Procurement Regulations

The Sergeant at Arms of the Senate may enter into a memorandum of understanding described in subsection (a)(1) of this section consistent with the Senate Procurement Regulations.

#### (c) Applicability

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–117, div. B, §902, Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2316.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section is from the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002, which is div. B of the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act. 2002.

# § 130h. Support services for House during emergency; memorandum of understanding with an executive agency

#### (a) Authorization

Notwithstanding any other provision of law—
(1) subject to subsection (b) of this section, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives and the head of an executive agency (as defined in section 105 of title 5) may enter into a memorandum of understanding under which the agency may provide facilities, equipment, supplies, personnel, and other support services for the use of the House of Representatives during an emergency situation: and

(2) the Chief Administrative Officer and the head of the agency may take any action necessary to carry out the terms of the memorandum of understanding.

# (b) Approval of Speaker required

The Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives may not enter into a memorandum of understanding described in subsection (a)(1) of this section without the approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives

### (c) Applicability

This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2002 and each succeeding fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–117, div. B, §904, Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2318.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section is from the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002, which is div. B of the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act, 2002.

# § 130i. House of Representatives Office of Emergency Planning, Preparedness, and Operations

### (a) Establishment

There is established in the House of Representatives an office to be known as the House of Representatives Office of Emergency Plan-

ning, Preparedness, and Operations. The Office shall be responsible for mitigation and preparedness operations, crisis management and response, resource services, and recovery operations.

#### (b) Duties of Speaker

The Speaker, in consultation with the minority leader—

- (1) shall provide policy direction for, and oversight of, the Office;
- (2) shall appoint and set the annual rate of pay for employees of the Office, including a Director, who shall be the head of the Office;
- (3) shall exercise, with respect to any employee of the Office, the authority referred to in section 8344(k)(2)(B) of title 5 and the authority referred to in section 8468(h)(2)(B) of title 5;
- (4) shall approve procurement of services of experts and consultants by the Office or by committees or other entities of the House of Representatives for assignment to the Office; and
- (5) may request the head of any Federal department or agency to detail to the Office, on a reimbursable basis, any of the personnel of the department or agency.

### (c) Duties of Director; House of Representatives Continuity of Operations Board

The day-to-day operations of the Office shall be carried out by the Director, under the supervision of a Board, to be known as the House of Representatives Continuity of Operations Board, comprised of the Clerk, the Sergeant at Arms, and the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives. The Clerk shall be the Chairman of the Board.

## (d) Availability of funds

Until otherwise provided by law, funds shall be available for the Office from amounts appropriated for the operations of the House of Representatives.

# (e) Effective date; applicability

This section shall take effect on January 10, 2002, and shall apply to fiscal years beginning with fiscal year 2002.

(Pub. L. 107–117, div. B, §905, Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2318.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section is from the Emergency Supplemental Act, 2002, which is div. B of the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act, 2002.

# § 130j. Program to increase employment opportunities in House of Representatives for individuals with disabilities

#### (a) In general

In order to promote an increase in opportunities for individuals with disabilities to provide services to the House of Representatives, the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives is authorized to—

(1) enter into 1 or more contracts with nongovernmental entities to provide for the performance of services for offices of the House of